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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 3600  
PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0625-00

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Akira NONAKA

Application No.: 09/803,396

Filed: March 9, 2001

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed December 19, 2008, the period for response to which extends through March 19, 2009, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant proposes to amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper and begin on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment section of this paper.